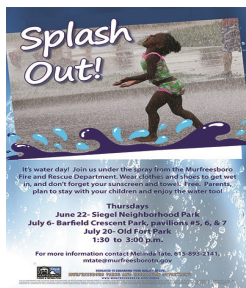


Birthdays

Tim Rowlett 6/2
 Allen Swader 6/2
 Josh Byrd 6/4
 Clay Malone 6/7
 Jonathan Gaither 6/11
 Dustin Liddell 6/13
 Jim White 6/16
 Betsy Prusynski 6/17
 Randy Shaw 6/19
 Jeff Irvin 6/20
 Raleigh Marlin 6/23
 Joe Pennington 6/24
 Mark Brewer 6/27
 Adam C Brown 6/28
 Troy Gannon 6/28

Inside...Save the dates for Murfreesboro
 Parks and Recreation Splashouts!



MFRD HONORS EMPLOYEES AT 7TH ANNUAL YEARS OF SERVICE AWARDS PRESENTATION



Dustin Liddell, and Engineer Wesley Slager

Murfreesboro Fire Rescue Department honored several employees at the 7th Annual Years of Service Awards Presentation Saturday, May 13 at Patterson Park Community Center.

Honorees were as follows (in order of seniority):

5 Years: Firefighter John Fisher, Firefighter Duane O'Donnell, Firefighter Jamie Layhew, Engineer Chad Davis, Firefighter Ashley McGriff, Firefighter Matthew Roeger, Firefighter Kevin Defeo, Firefighter Ryan Daniel, Firefighter Justin McCraven, Firefighter Adam C. Brown, and Firefighter Matthew Twomey

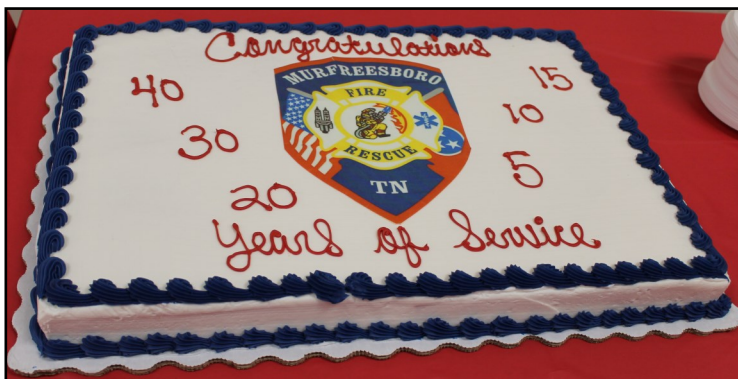
10 Years: Administrative Aide II/Public Information Officer Ashley McDonald, Firefighter Taylor Lasseter, Firefighter Jeremiah Spivey, Engineer Andy Smithson, Firefighter Lucas Dearden, Firefighter Britt Gammon, Engineer Kevin Leonard, Firefighter

15 Years: Medical Training Coordinator Jeffrey Wright

20 Years: Engineer Richard Crick, Captain Raymond Smith, Engineer Alvin Brandon, Captain Joshua Oliver, Captain/Shift Inspector Jason Hayes, Captain Brian Creager, and Captain Jamie Bigelow

30 Years: Deputy Chief Roger Toombs

40 Years: Battalion Chief Dale Maynard



All employees received uniform pins with their respective years of service. Employees with 10 and 15 years of service received MFRD challenge coins engraved with their corresponding years. Employees with 20 and 30 years of service received awards engraved with their names and years of service. Battalion Chief Maynard, the only employee in the 40 years of service category, was presented with a personally engraved clock.

"I am very proud of the men and women in our department that serve the citizens and visitors to Murfreesboro," said Fire Rescue Chief Mark Foulks. "We have such a wonderful group of professional, dedicated, and skilled individuals. Our community is very fortunate."

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TWO FIREFIGHTERS PROMOTED TO ENGINEER

Murfreesboro Fire Rescue Firefighters Jonathan Parsons and Lance Sutton were promoted to the position of Engineer in May.

The two were selected from a list of 15 qualified applicants.

Meet the NEW Engineers

Jonathan Parsons

Jonathan Parsons has been with MFRD since March 2008. He is a graduate of Middle Tennessee State University with a Bachelors in Business Administration. Parsons is an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT), a Child Safety Seat Technician, and is certified in Swiftwater I and II and SCUBA diving. He is also an active member of the National Award Winning MFRD Honor Guard and the Special Events Team.



Parsons and wife Josie will be celebrating their ninth wedding anniversary this year and have two children, Jace (3) and Jolie (7 months). When he is not at MFRD, he enjoys working on his property, spending time with his family, and staying fit at Crossfit Hendersonville.

"I'm excited about my new position as Engineer at Station 2 and look forward to working with a new crew." Parsons' twin brother, Joshua, is also an Engineer with MFRD.

Lance Sutton

Lance Sutton has been with MFRD since January 2005. He is an AEMT and is certified as a technician in the following areas: Rope Rescue, Urban Search and Rescue (USAR), Structural Collapse, Confined Space, Hazardous Materials, and Child Safety Seats. He also holds Instructor, Fire Investigation, and Wildland Firefighter certifications. Sutton is an active member of the National Award Winning MFRD Honor Guard and serves as its coordinator. He is also a member of the Special Events Team and is an instructor for the department's Citizens Fire Academy.

When he is not at MFRD, he keeps busy running a landscaping business. He also competes in the Murfreesboro Parks and Recreation Racquetball League and enjoys other activities such as mountain biking, rock climbing, trail running, and spending time with family and friends.

"I am grateful and excited for the opportunity and look forward to serving this department and the citizens of Murfreesboro in my new position."

Fire Rescue Chief Mark Foulks commented on the promotions, "These two gentlemen displayed the professional skill sets and knowledge that are crucial to being a successful Engineer, and I have no doubt that they will both excel in their new positions."

MFRD WELCOMES NEW PART-TIME SUPPLY CLERK



Murfreesboro Fire Rescue is pleased to announce its newest MFRD family member, part-time Supply Clerk Jim Cross.

Cross reported for his first day on the job Tuesday, May 30. His responsibilities include but are not limited to ordering and delivering supplies to the stations, distributing mail within the department, and cleaning the Fire Administration Office.

He is no stranger to the fire service. Cross was a volunteer for five years and spent 32 years with a paid department in Anna, Illinois. At Anna Fire Rescue, he served as a Captain for two years and Chief for 22 years!

Jim and wife Dianne now reside in Murfreesboro. In his spare time he enjoys watching his granddaughter play softball, cooking outdoors, and antique automobiles.

"I look forward to working with a great group of people and becoming a member of the MFRD family," Cross said.

"It was not a prerequisite to work in the fire service for this position," said Fire Rescue Chief Mark Foulks, "but we are elated to have someone with that kind of background join our team. Understanding the innerworkings and needs of a fire department will no doubt make Jim a great asset to our firefighters."

MFRD AND MPD TO PARTICIPATE IN GUNS N HOSES SOFTBALL GAME TO BENEFIT RELAY FOR LIFE

Murfreesboro Fire Rescue Department and Murfreesboro Police Department will “go to bat” Saturday, June 17th in a friendly competition to raise money for a good cause.

The departments, who together make up the “Boro Public Safety” Relay for Life Team, will be playing in a “Guns N Hoses” softball game. Proceeds from the game will directly benefit the Relay for Life team and will assist Rutherford County’s efforts to raise money for cancer research through the American Cancer Society.

The game will take place Saturday, June 17 at 10:00 am on the field located at Old Fort Park.

Tickets can be purchased at the gate; \$5 for adults, \$3 for students, and free for kids three and under. Concessions will be available. For more information please contact Ashley McDonald at amcdonald@murfreesborotn.gov.

“Guns N Hoses” competitions are nothing new to the agencies. The two suited up for basketball in February for the same cause. Team Fire took a 70-44 victory over Team Police. The inaugural event was a huge success, raising over \$1,700.

#goteamfire



A flyer for the "Guns N Hoses" softball game. The top half features a brown leather softball glove on a dirt field. Inside the glove is a yellow softball with "POLICE" on the left side and "MURFREESBORO FIRE RESCUE TN" on the right side, with "Vs." in the center. The word "Guns" is in large blue letters on the left, and "Hoses" is in large red letters on the right. Below the glove is the "RELAY FOR LIFE American Cancer Society" logo. The bottom half has a purple background with white text. It says "SATURDAY, JUNE 17, 2017" and "10:00 am". Below that is "OLD FORT PARK SOFTBALL FIELD". To the left is a circular graphic with a baseball seam pattern and the text "Concessions Available!". To the right is a similar circular graphic with the text "Come Support Your TEAM!". In the center, under "TICKET PRICES:", it lists "5 AND UNDER FREE", "STUDENTS \$3", and "ADULTS \$5". At the bottom, in small white text, it says "ALL PROCEEDS GO TO RELAY FOR LIFE ON BEHALF OF THE BORO PUBLIC SAFETY TEAM".

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CLEMENTI, DOSS, AND SIMMS NAMED FF OF THE MONTH

Firefighters Jeff Clementi, Beau Doss, and Engineer David Simms have been named Firefighters of the Month for June 2017. The three were nominated by Captain Nora Smith for going “above and beyond” to show compassion and professionalism on an incident in May.

“On May 6, we were called to the residence of an elderly gentleman who had no family to check on him. When we arrived, we found him in terrible condition. Just the shift before, another MFRD company checked on the man, but he refused to be transported. Again, with us, he refused transport. With the assistance of MPD, the man was finally convinced to go with EMS. While my crew waited for EMS to arrive, they made repairs to his door to make sure his residence was secured before he left, carried his trash out for him, and took care of some other tasks which made the patient feel more at ease about leaving his home. My crew showed a tremendous amount of compassion, kindness, and professionalism while assisting one of our citizens and for this, they deserve to be recognized.”



LAST MONTH'S ANSWER:

Q. According to NFPA, in which two types of building construction do most civilian fire deaths occur?

A. Type-3 ordinary and Type-5 frame, as these are the most common type of residential construction.

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Q. What are the four phases of emergency management?

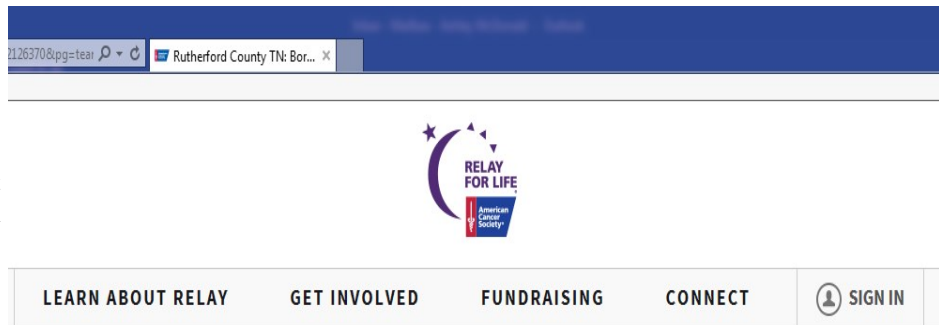
RELAY FOR LIFE WALKING EVENT (JUNE 3, 2017)

Saturday, June 3, Murfreesboro Fire Rescue and Murfreesboro Police Departments will come together to form the "Boro Public Safety" Relay for Life Team. The team will participate in the annual Rutherford County Relay for Life Walk event which will be at Middle Tennessee Christian School's gym from 12 noon to 12 midnight.

All employees, family members, and friends are welcome to attend and walk alongside us!

Stop by our booth... There will be a silent auction for "Chief for a Day" for both police and fire, opportunities to try on police and fire gear and make photos, and public safety goody bags available for a small donation.

If you are unable to attend the event, there is still a way you can contribute to the team. Please visit http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR/RelayForLife/RFLCY17MS?team_id=2126370&pg=team&fr_id=82277 for more information!



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YEARS OF SERVICE CONTINUED...



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MFRD AWARDED 2016 ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT (AFG)

Murfreesboro Fire Rescue Department was recently awarded the 2016 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) for Operations and Safety in the amount of \$433,655.

The funds will cover 90 percent of the total costs of two department projects: Vehicle source capture exhaust systems for all fire stations and wireless headset systems for all apparatus. MFRD will be responsible for the remaining 10 percent, totaling just over \$43,300.

"I am particularly excited about these projects," said Fire Rescue Chief Mark Foulks, "because they will support our continuing efforts to enhance the safety and health of our personnel."

Vehicle Source Capture Exhaust Systems

By the very nature of their roles as first responders, firefighters risk being exposed to a wide variety of hazardous environmental dangers. Implementation of the vehicle source capture exhaust systems project will eliminate one potential source of daily exposure from right inside of their own fire stations. Apparatus often leave the station multiple times each day to conduct daily activities and respond to emergencies. The exhaust system will be used each time the apparatus leaves the station and during apparatus maintenance checks while the engine is running. This system will capture and carry exhaust gases directly from the apparatus to the outside environment, which will help keep firefighters and the visiting public safe from carcinogenic and toxic pollutants that currently threaten the air quality in the fire stations.



Wireless Headset Systems

Wireless headsets will be purchased with grant funds to provide critical hearing protection for responding personnel. The wireless headset systems will allow firefighters to effectively communicate in route to an emergency, while adhering to requirements from OSHA (OSHA 1910.95) and NFPA (1500 5-11.1) for hearing protection. The headsets will also be beneficial on scene by permitting personnel such as the Engineer and Incident Commander to maintain fireground communications without the potentially detrimental and harmful effects of excessive noise levels.



"MFRD is very fortunate to have a Mayor, City Council, and City Administration that supports projects which have a major impact on firefighter safety and efficiency," said Foulks. "Their willingness to approve requests for grant applications such as AFG shows their dedication to our public safety employees which translates to better services to the citizens and visitors of Murfreesboro."

The primary goal of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) is to meet the firefighting and emergency response needs of fire departments and nonaffiliated emergency medical service organizations. Since 2001, AFG has helped firefighters and other first responders to obtain critically needed equipment, protective gear, emergency vehicles, training, and other resources needed to protect the public and emergency personnel from fire and related hazards. For more information on AFG, please visit <https://www.fema.gov/assistance-firefighters-grant>.

www.murfreesboron.gov/MFRDrecruiting

Splash Out!



It's water day! Join us under the spray from the Murfreesboro Fire and Rescue Department. Wear clothes and shoes to get wet in, and don't forget your sunscreen and towel. Free. Parents, plan to stay with your children and enjoy the water too!

Thursdays

June 22- Siegel Neighborhood Park

July 6- Barfield Crescent Park, pavilions #5, 6, & 7

July 20- Old Fort Park

1:30 to 3:00 p.m.

For more information contact Melinda Tate, 615-893-2141,
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STEAM ENGINE RESTORATION PROJECT PROGRESS PICS



ANOTHER MEMBER ADDED TO THE MFRD FAMILY

MFRD added another member to the #firefam in May. Hudson Graham Layhew, son of Firefighter Jamie and wife Amber was born May 30, 2017.

Hudson weighed in at 7 pounds/13 ounces and measured 20 inches long!

Mom, Dad, baby, and siblings are doing well!



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June Anniversaries

32 YEARS

Sam Benford
Keith Bratcher

27 YEARS

Jeff Bratcher
Keith Elrod
Troy Gannon
Guy Matthews
Steve Melton
Ronnie Nobles
Ted Pertiller
Allen Swader
Tim Swann
Eugene Todd

23 YEARS

Robert Canterbury
Gary Hutchinson
Nora Smith

18 YEARS

Israel Marcella
Greg Robinson

16 YEARS

Brian Lowe

14 YEARS

David Bricker
Davey Ferrell
Kenny McFarland
Ray Robinson
Jim White
Mitchell Whittenburg
Kyle Winnett

13 YEARS

Mark Brewer
Karl Daigle
Joel Patnode

5 YEARS

Chad Davis
Kevin Defeo
Ashley McGriff
Matt Roeger